



# THE GYROLOG

THE GYRO CLUB OF EDMONTON

May 2, 2006

## President

Fred Schulte  
Res. 434-0925

This is a belated report on the May 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting at the Mayfair. Many thanks to **PDG Gerry Glassford** and **Eric Spink** for taking the notes.

## 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President

Jack Brown  
Res. 434-0392

Our new **President Fred Schulte** welcomed 33 Gyros and 23 Gyrettes and guests to the Faculty Club. **Larry Dobson** led Cheerio and **David Burnett** asked the blessing.

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-President

Bob Berube  
Res. 436-4896

**Val Pohl** introduced his guest Hal Williams, **Bob Berube** brought Greg Scherf, **Walter Yakimets** invited Leon Lubin, **John Ross's** guest was Arne Ostfield, **Mary Lue** and **Bob Moore** were present.

## Imm. Past President

Walter Yakimets  
Res. 438-1406

**President Fred** announced that on April 21<sup>st</sup> the new Executive and three new members were installed. The new members are **Chuck Gerhart, Larry Mix** and **Ron Ramsay**.

## Secretary

Barry Walker  
Res. 475-0983

Those celebrating birthdays in May are **Bob Berube** on May 1<sup>st</sup>, **Andy Friderichsen** on May 13<sup>th</sup>, **Geoff Brewer** on May 17<sup>th</sup>, **David Burnett** on May 18<sup>th</sup> and **Allan Warrack** on May 24<sup>th</sup>.

## Treasurer

Mike Matei  
Res. 930-1780

## Directors

Gordon Robertson  
Res. 486-1240  
Alan Rusler  
Res. 435-1129  
Bill Taylor  
Res. 430-0330  
Eric Spink  
Res. 436-5242

The May anniversaries are **Dick and Vi Moskalyk** on May 15<sup>th</sup>, **Fred and Paulette Schulte** on May 18<sup>th</sup>, **Chuck and Myrna Gerhart** on May 22<sup>nd</sup>, and **Peter and Katherine Morrison** on May 30<sup>th</sup>.

The Membership approved the recommended allocation of \$500 to the Art Gallery of Alberta and \$1000 to the Centre for Gerontology. The club had earlier approved the allocation of \$500 to the Pakistan Earthquake Relief in December 2005.

## Gyrolg Editor

Peter Fairbridge  
Phone 435-5629

A version of the membership list was distributed with a request for members to check their information and provide any revisions to **President Fred** at the next meeting. The calendar of events was also provided to those present. Please check to be sure that you are available when you are scheduled or make or other arrangements if necessary.

## What is the origin of “his name is mud”?

The first person whose name was mud was Dr. Samuel Mudd.

In 1865, John Wilkes Booth assassinated Abraham Lincoln. Booth broke his leg during his escape, but was able to make his way to Dr. Mudd. The doctor, who knew nothing of the assassination, treated the leg and sent the patient on his way.

When Dr. Mudd heard the news the next day, he recognized that the assassin and his patient must be the same person. He reported the incident to the authorities. For his trouble, Dr. Mudd was arrested, tried as a conspirator, and sentenced to life imprisonment.

Since then, a person’s name is mud as a result of inappropriate actions.

Dr. Mudd was later pardoned by Lincoln’s successor, Andrew Johnson, but not because of this miscarriage of justice. He earned his pardon through his work during an outbreak of yellow fever where he was imprisoned.

In recent years, Dr Mudd’s descendants have campaigned to clear his name. Even though he was pardoned, the conviction remained on the books. The family has argued that Dr. Mudd was unaware of the patient’s identity and therefore had no reason not adhere to the Hippocratic principle of helping someone in need. As recently as June 1992, an application to have the conviction overturned was denied.

**Larry Dobson** reported on the bridge wind up at the Highlands Golf Course. The winner of the **Merrill Morstad Cup** was **Marty Larson**.

**Victor Jagoldas** introduced the guest speakers, Don Risdon and Roy Skoreyko. Don is the Chair of the Edmonton Region Community Board for Persons with Developmental Disabilities and Roy is a self-advocate who is a member of the Board. The Board supports people 18 and over who have a developmental disability to achieve the best lives possible. The Edmonton Region supports about 2,600 individuals in their efforts to maximize their potential.

Roy spent ten years in an institution and now lives on his own. He has served on many Boards and as a self-advocate has made his voice known. He wants to live in a world where self-advocates are included, welcome, and can make a contribution. **Gerry Glassford** thanked the speakers on behalf of those present.

**Mike Matei** wishes to advise that there are still a number of you who have yet to forward your annual dues to him. Annual dues are \$210.00 payable to the Gyro Club of Edmonton. Please bring your cheques to the next meeting, or forward it by mail to 227 Wilson Lane, Edmonton T6M 2K8.

**John Ross** advises that if any club-members don't have Microsoft Excel program in your computer, you might refer to this link, for a free Microsoft Excel Viewer download.

<http://www.microsoft.com/downloads/details.aspx?FamilyID=c8378bf4-996c-4569-b547-75edbd03aaf0&DisplayLang=en>

Likewise there's a free MS Word Viewer available for anyone who can't open our Gyrolog newsletter.

<http://www.microsoft.com/downloads/details.aspx?FamilyID=95e24c87-8732-48d5-8689-ab826e7b8fdf&DisplayLang=en>

**Dave Duchak** reports that Game 18 of the hockey pool saw Edmonton at Chicago on April 7<sup>th</sup>. With a 1:1 tie after the first the winners were **Shirley Larson** and **Allan Warrack**. The Oilers led by 3:1 after two and the winners were Shirley Matei and Peter Faid. With an overtime 4:3 Oilers win Chris Rennie and Alex McNaughton received \$20.

Game 19 was played on April 13<sup>th</sup> and with a 1:1 tie after the second period, the winners were **Erma Nash**, **Alan Rusler**, and Lucas Burnett. Edmonton won 2:1 and the winners were Jean Thompson, Sarah Baird, and **Carol Dobson**.

In the last game of the year Edmonton hosted Colorado and were in the lead 1:0 after twenty minutes. The winners were **Alan Rusler**, Sophie McKinnon and Mark Power. Tied at 1:1 after 40 minutes, the winners were **Paulette Schulte**, and Laura Travis. With the Oilers winning 4:2 the \$20 winners were Bev Russell, **Walter Yakimets** and **Tony Sheppard**.

It was no surprise to anyone that **Jack Ellis** won a free lunch.

This is my last Gyrolog as the editor. **Peter Fairbridge** has agreed to take on the job with assistance from **Eric Spink** and **Bill Taylor**. Thanks to **Gerry Glassford** and the numerous others who have assisted me over the years.

### ***UPCOMING EVENTS***

Team leader **Peter Butler** has arranged for Dan Claypool, the Secretary of the Canadian Petroleum Interpretative Centre to be the guest speaker at our next meeting on May 16<sup>th</sup>. He will chronicle events from 1947 and the Discovery well just south of the Town of Devon.

The St. Albert Gyro Club is organizing the Red Deer Golf Tournament on Thursday June 8, 2006 at the Riverbend Golf Course in Red Deer. The T times will start at 10:00 AM. The cost is \$103 for golf, power cart, dinner and prizes. The deadline for entry is May 30, 2006. Please confirm your attendance with **Mike Matei** ASAP. Cheques are payable to the Gyro Club of Edmonton.

The Prostate Golf Tournament will be on Friday June 16, 2006 at the Links Golf Course in Spruce Grove. Please be ready to volunteer and make our last tournament a success.

**Barry Walker** has booked the Legends for our nine-hole mixed golf tournament for Wednesday July 12, 2006. T-Off will be at 1:00 PM and details will follow.

The Stampede City Club will be hosting the International and District VIII Convention at the Westin Hotel in Calgary from July 20<sup>th</sup> to July 23<sup>rd</sup> 2006.

**Val Pohl** has booked Northlands for the mixed horse racing event on Sunday, September 24<sup>th</sup> at noon. Details to follow.

**Past President Walter** has booked the Riverview Room for our next Christmas Party on December 4, 2006.

The next District VIII Interim Convention will be held at Fairmont March 16<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> 2007. **Past President Walter** asked that we note this on our calendars because we will be hosting a hospitality event to promote our convention and a good turnout would help with our success.

Our Club will be hosting the District VIII Convention in 2007 from August 9 to 12. It will be at the Delta City Centre Hotel on the west end of the City Centre Shopping Centre. All of our members will be asked to help make this convention a success so please block off those dates to help your club host a successful convention.

Same Old Bull  
Allan

